

Appl. No. 10/080,150  
Amdt. dated 09/15/2004  
Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 09/15/2004

**REMARKS**

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed 09/15/2004.

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, it was noted that Claims 1, 6 and 10 had not been provided with the proper status identifier, i.e., "currently amended."

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicant herein resubmits the requested status identifier for Claims 1, 6 and 10.

Applicant believes this brings the Amendment and Response to Office Action filed on 08/17/2004 into compliance with the requirements of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Amendment and Office Action Response filed on 08/17/2004 be passed onto the Examiner for substantive consideration.

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### CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections and objections.  
Allowance of the claims at an early date is solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned counsel by telephone at (714) 557-3800 to expedite the prosecution of this case should there be any unresolved matters remaining.

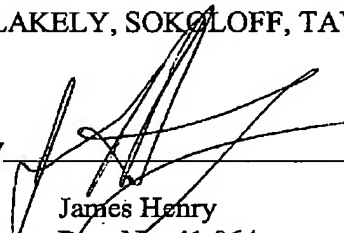
To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 02-2666 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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